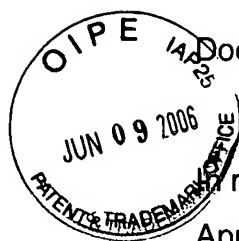


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re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: Benveniste
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 6, 2006

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Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.